## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE BUDGET OF THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds
- 2 for the biennial budget of the office of Hawaiian affairs. This
- 3 Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Office of Hawaiian
- 4 Affairs Appropriations Act of 2015".
- 5 SECTION 2. Unless otherwise clear from the context, as
- 6 used in this Act:
- 7 "Means of financing", or "MOF", means the source from which
- 8 funds are appropriated or authorized, as the case may be, to be
- 9 expended for the programs and projects specified in this Act.
- 10 Letter symbols following appropriations have the following
- 11 meanings:
- 12 A General Funds
- T Trust Funds
- "Position ceiling" means the maximum number of permanent
- 15 positions authorized for a particular program during a specified
- 16 period or periods, as noted by an asterisk.

- 1 "Program ID" means the unique identifier of the specific
- 2 program, and consists of the abbreviation for the office of
- 3 Hawaiian affairs followed by a designated number for the
- 4 program.
- 5 SECTION 3. The following sums, or so much thereof as may
- 6 be necessary to accomplish the purposes and programs designated
- 7 herein, are appropriated or authorized, as the case may be, from
- 8 the sources of funding specified to the office of Hawaiian
- 9 affairs for the fiscal biennium beginning July 1, 2015, and
- 10 ending June 30, 2017. The total general fund expenditures and
- 11 the number of permanent positions established in each fiscal
- 12 year of the biennium shall not exceed the sums and the position
- 13 ceilings indicated for each year, except as provided elsewhere
- 14 in this Act.

1
2
3
4
6
7
8
10
1U 11
<b>12</b>
13
14
15 16
17
18
19

				APPROPRIATIONS_				
				FISCAL	M	FISCAL	M	
item	PROG.		EXPENDING	YEAR	0	YEAR	С	
NO.	ID	PROGRAM	AGENCY	2015-16	F_	<u>2016-17</u>	F	
Hawaiia	an Affairs							
HAWAII	AN AFFAIRS							
:	1. OHA150	- OFFICE OF TH	IE TRUSTEES					
				0.	63*	0.63		
OPERATING			OHA	•	28,435A		28,435A	
					37*	4.37		
			OHA	275,6	87T	275,687	T	
:	2. OHA160	- ADMINISTRATI	ON					
				7.	60*	7.60	*	
(	OPERATING		OHA	700,1		700,159		
				32.		32.40	*	
			OHA	2,861,7	27Т	2,861,727	T	
3	3. ОНА175	- BENEFICIARY	ADVOCACY	•				
				2.	86*	2.86	*	
(	OPERATING		OHA	3,012,9	80A	3,012,980	Α	
				14.	14*	14.14		
			OHA	4,042,8	60T	4,042,860	$\mathbf{T}$	

1

19

20

21

2 in section 3 of this Act shall be expended by the office of Hawaiian affairs. 3 SECTION 5. Provided that of the funds appropriated for 4 5 beneficiary advocacy (OHA 175), the sum of \$ in general 6 funds and \$ in trust funds for fiscal year 2015-2016 and the sum of \$ in general funds and \$ 7 in trust funds for fiscal year 2016-2017 shall provide for social services, including referral services and case management, to 10 at-risk office of Hawaiian affairs beneficiaries to immediately 11 address unexpected crises. Program activities shall be designed 12 with an overall objective to provide financial assistance to 13 improve stability during emergency situations; provided that 14 notwithstanding section 10-17(e), Hawaii Revised Statutes, any funds expended for the purposes of this section shall be in 15 16 accordance with chapter 103D or 103F, Hawaii Revised Statutes, **17** as appropriate. 18 SECTION 6. Provided that of the funds appropriated for

beneficiary advocacy (OHA 175), the sum of \$

funds and \$ in trust funds for fiscal year 2015-2016 and

the sum of \$ in general funds and \$ in trust

SECTION 4. Provided that the general fund appropriations

in general

- 1 funds for fiscal year 2016-2017 shall provide for educational
- 2 improvement programs for Native Hawaiian students. Program
- 3 activities shall be designed to help Native Hawaiians meet or
- 4 exceed educational standards; provided that notwithstanding
- 5 section 10-17(e), Hawaii Revised Statutes, expenditure of any
- 6 funds for the purposes of this section shall be made in
- 7 accordance with chapter 103D or 103F, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
- 8 or a competitive grants process, as appropriate.
- 9 SECTION 7. Provided that of the funds appropriated for
- 10 beneficiary advocacy (OHA 175), the sum of \$\frac{1}{2}\$ in general
- 11 funds and \$ in trust funds for fiscal year 2015-2016 and
- 12 the sum of \$ in general funds and \$ in trust
- 13 funds for fiscal year 2016-2017 shall provide for legal services
- 14 and legal representation to office of Hawaiian affairs
- 15 beneficiaries for: the assertion and defense of quiet title
- 16 actions; assistance with ahupua'a and kuleana tenant rights,
- 17 including rights of access and rights to water; land title
- 18 assistance, including review of title and genealogy;
- 19 preservation of traditional and customary practices; protection
- 20 of culturally significant places; and preservation of Native
- 21 Hawaiian land trust entitlements; provided further that

- 1 notwithstanding section 10-17(e), Hawaii Revised Statutes,
- 2 expenditure of any funds expended for the purposes of this
- 3 section shall be made in accordance with chapter 103D or 103F,
- 4 Hawaii Revised Statutes, as appropriate.
- 5 SECTION 8. Provided that of the funds appropriated for
- 6 beneficiary advocacy (OHA 175), the sum of \$ in general
- 7 funds and \$ in trust funds for fiscal year 2015-2016 and
- 8 the sum of \$ in general funds and \$ in trust
- 9 funds for fiscal year 2016-2017 shall provide for health
- 10 improvement services and programs to office of Hawaiian affairs
- 11 beneficiaries to include information and referral services, case
- 12 management and counseling, and the establishment of prevention
- 13 programs. Direct services and prevention programs include those
- 14 designed to have the greatest statewide impact on the overall
- 15 wellness of Native Hawaiians through targeted foci on the
- 16 reduction of Native Hawaiian chronic diseases rates, especially
- .17 obesity; provided further that notwithstanding section 10-17(e),
- 18 Hawaii Revised Statutes, expenditure of any funds expended for
- 19 the purposes of this section shall be made in accordance with
- 20 chapter 103D or 103F, Hawaii Revised Statutes, or a competitive
- 21 grants process, as appropriate.

1 SECTION 9. Provided that of the funds appropriated for 2 beneficiary advocacy (OHA 175), the sum of \$ in general 3 funds and \$ in trust funds for fiscal year 2015-2016 and 4 the sum of \$ in general funds and \$ 5 funds for fiscal year 2016-2017 shall provide for housing 6 improvement programs to office of Hawaiian affairs beneficiaries 7 to increase the capacity of Native Hawaiians to attain housing stability. Programs shall include information and referral 8 9 services, case management and financial counseling and shall be **10** designed with an overall objective to address barriers that 11 hinder Native Hawaiians from obtaining housing; provided that 12 notwithstanding section 10-17(e), Hawaii Revised Statutes, any 13 funds expended for the purposes of this section shall be in 14 accordance with chapter 103D or 103F, Hawaii Revised Statutes, 15 or a competitive grants process, as appropriate. SECTION 10. Provided that of the funds appropriated for 16 beneficiary advocacy (OHA 175), the sum of \$ **17** in general 18 funds and \$ in trust funds for fiscal year 2015-2016 and 19 the sum of \$ in general funds and \$ in trust 20 funds for fiscal year 2016-2017 shall provide for income 21 improvement programs to office of Hawaiian affairs beneficiaries

- 1 to increase the capacity of Native Hawaiians to obtain higher-
- 2 wage employment. Programs shall be designed with an overall
- 3 goal to improve the ability of low- and moderate-income, under-
- 4 employed, unemployed, or displaced Native Hawaiians to increase
- 5 their incomes by expanding knowledge, skills, and abilities
- 6 through the completion of high school equivalency, vocational
- 7 training, or two-year degree programs; provided that
- 8 notwithstanding section 10-17(e), Hawaii Revised Statutes, any
- 9 funds expended for the purposes of this section shall be in
- 10 accordance with chapter 103D or 103F, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
- 11 or a competitive grants process, as appropriate.
- 12 SECTION 11. Provided that whenever necessary, the board of
- 13 trustees of the office of Hawaiian affairs or the board's
- 14 designee may transfer sufficient funds and positions between
- 15 programs for operating purposes; provided further that these
- 16 transfers shall not be inconsistent with legislative intent;
- 17 provided further that a report of these fund transfers shall be
- 18 made to the legislature no later than the end of the 2016 and
- 19 2017 fiscal years, respectively.
- 20 SECTION 12. If any portion of this Act or its application
- 21 to any person or circumstances is held to be invalid for any

- 1 reason, the remainder of the Act and any provision thereof shall
- 2 not be affected. If any portion of a specific appropriation is
- 3 held to be invalid for any reason, the remaining portion shall
- 4 be independent of the invalid portion and shall be expended to
- 5 fulfill the objective and intent of the appropriation to the
- 6 extent possible.
- 7 SECTION 13. If manifest clerical, typographical, or other
- 8 mechanical errors are found in this Act, the board of trustees
- 9 of the office of Hawaiian affairs may correct these errors. All
- 10 changes made pursuant to this section shall be reported to the
- 11 legislature at its next session.
- 12 SECTION 14. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.

## Report Title:

OHA Package; Office of Hawaiian Affairs; Appropriations; Budget

## Description:

Appropriates funds for the Office of Hawaiian Affairs for the fiscal biennium beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2017. (HB209 HD1)

The summary description of legislation appearing on this page is for informational purposes only and is not legislation or evidence of legislative intent.